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TO LIFTING OF EMBARGO

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- 1. ADMINISTRATION PROPOSAL TO LIFT TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO PROMPTED PROTEST MEETING BY CYPRIOT STUDENT GROUP AT UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI, THE DEMOCRATIC UNION OF CYPRIOT YOUTH, AT UNIVERSITY EVENING OF APRIL 6. POLICE PERMITTED MEETING BUT DID NOT AUTHORIZE ANY MARCH FROM CAMPUS. MEETING ITSELF WAS PEACEFUL AND BROKE UP AFTER ABOUT AN HOUR OF DISCUSSION OF A PROTEST RESOLUTION. POLICE ESTIMATE A MAXIMUM OF 70 STUDENTS ATTENDED. THE ONLY PRESS REPORT ON IT SAYS 250.
- 2. THIS MORNING A POLITE AND SUBDUED DELEGATION OF THREE CYPRIOT STUDENTS PRESENTED THE RESOLUTION TO ME. IT SAYS THE EXPECTED AND VOWS TO CONTINUE FIGHTING "UNTIL THE FINAL DEFEAT OF TURKISH CHAUVINISM AND AMERICAN IMPERIALISM." TRANSLATIONS OF THE RESOLUTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARE BEING POUCHED ATHENS AND THE DEPARTMENT.

3. PRESS COVERAGE OF ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSAL CONCENTRATES ON CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION TO IT. STORY WAS ON FRONT PAGE OF MAKEDONIA BUT MORE STRIDENT ELLINIKOS VORRAS RELEGATED IT TO THE BACK PAGE. ZACHARY

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